

MISCELLANEOUS READING.

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**VEGETATION ON THE MOON'S SURFACE.**  
 On the surface of the moon are seen numerous streaks of narrow lines about one hundred in number, which appear, perhaps, more like narrow furrows than anything else. Sometimes they spread themselves on the lunar disc in straight lines. Sometimes they are slightly curved; in every case they

Other astronomers think they are streams of lava which have been vomited by lunar volcanoes, and which reflect the light of the sun with more intensity than the adjacent surface. *Mr. Schuberth, a German astronomer,*

mer, endeavors to give them another explanation. He has published in the *Astronomische Nachrichten*, some facts which tend to show that these lines are the result of a vegetation on the surface of the moon. According to the author, if the surface of the moon be examined attentively with a good telescope and a proper illumination, we discover between the lines or luminous furrows of the high mountain called Tycho

These lines which are darker than the adjacent parts, are clearly the result of vegetation; and it is this vegetation that makes the sterile parts of the moon appear as bright

able, these lines of vegetation are more particularly visible on the very bright parts of the moon which are circumscribed by the mountains Hippocus, Albategnius, Werner, Stoeffler, Maurolycus, Gemma-Frisius, Pucodomini, Gatharina, Aboufeda, Regio-Montarius, Hell, Gaucricus, Wurzelbaner, Hensins and Count Wilhelm.

Hold on to your hand when you are about ready to strike, pinch, scratch, steal, or do any improper act.

Hold on to your heart when evil associates seek your company, and invite you to join them.

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**OBSERVANCE OF DAYS.**—Lent will commence to day, and Easter will fall on Sunday, the 8th of April—a fortnight earlier than last year. Whit Sunday will occur on the 27th May. Ascension, the 23d of June. There

will be twenty-five Sundays after Trinity; Advent Sunday will occur on the 2d of December; and Christmas Day will fall on a Tuesday, two days later (owing to leap year) than last year, that is, according to the solar cycle, when the reckoning is by the day of the week exclusively.

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**CANDIDATES.**

undersigned offers himself for re-election to the office of Superintendent of Gas. From his experience, he feels confident that he can give full satisfaction to the public.

Feb 9-2awt\* T. W. SMITH.

MR. JAMES P. COLEMAN respectfully presents himself to the Voters of Alexandria for re-election to the office of MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK, at the approaching election, and hopes his past course will be sufficient commendation to induce some support.

Feb 16-3dE\*

25<sup>th</sup> NOTICE.—I offer myself as a candidate for the office of Superintendent of Police, and pledge myself, if elected, to discharge faithfully the duties imposed upon me.  
Feb 16—31<sup>st</sup> SAMUEL BEACH.

26<sup>th</sup> INSPECTOR OF LUMBER.—I respectfully announce myself a candidate for the above office, and solicit the support of my fellow-citizens.  
Feb 16—20<sup>th</sup> CHARLES R. GRIMES.

28<sup>th</sup> CAPT. WM. E. PRICE, will be supported for

March, by [Jan 31—dte] MANY VOTERS.  
**MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK.**—I respectfully announce myself a candidate for the office of Measurer of Wood and Bark, and solicit the support of my fellow-citizens.  
 Feb 21—colt. JAMES TREAKLE.  
*To the Voters of Alexandria.*—I beg leave to announce myself as a candidate for the office of Superintendent of Police. If it be your pleasure to elect me, you will receive the thanks of your

Feb 17—dt<sup>e</sup>  
*To the Voters of Alexandria.*—A. F. SKIDMORE, is a candidate for the office of Superintendent of Gas, and will be supported at the coming election, which takes place on Tuesday, March 6th, 1860, by **MANY VOTERS.**  
 Feb 15—dt<sup>e</sup>

Feb 17—dt<sup>e</sup>  
*To the Voters of Alexandria.*—JOHN L. SMITH is a candidate for the office of Chief Engineer of the Fire Department. Feb 13—dt<sup>e</sup>

I beg leave to announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office I now hold, viz: Collector of Taxes, Northern District, of 2d and 3d Wards. If it be your pleasure to re-elect me, you will receive the thanks of your humble servant.  
feb 10—dtc\* JOHN A. FIELD.


satisfaction. I hope by strict attention and the manner in which I have discharged the duties of the office the past year, to have secured to me the confidence of my fellow-citizens, and, therefore, respectfully ask that they will give me their votes again at the coming election, which takes place on the 6th day of March. WM. H. SMITH.  
 Jan 27--te\*

To give satisfaction, and to perform well the duties  
 Jan 10—te\*  
**WESLEY AVERY.**

*To the Voters of Alexandria*—I respectfully present myself as a candidate for the office of Guager and Inspector of Liquor, and solicit your support.  
 feb 13—de\*  
**GEORGE McCLEISH.**

*A CARD*.—At the suggestion of many of my friends, I have concluded not to run for the office of Alexandria Guager, but to run for the

therefore announce myself as a candidate for that office. [nov 17—ecote] WM. A. HART.

 To the Voters of the City and County of Alexandria:—I offer myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff, at the next election, and most respectfully solicit your votes.

je 3—lawte H. L. MONROE.

158 KING STREET!

SHAW, BARBER, WINDOW CURTAINS, AND

**OTHER INTERIOR DECORATIONS!**  
**J. P. CLARKE** being desirous of reducing his stock, offers great inducements to persons in want of goods in his line of business. He will close them out at cost, rather than remove them,  
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